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**SHASTA COUNTY MAN SENTENCED TO 63 MONTHS FOR
POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that Christopher Stiner, 32, of Anderson, California, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Lawrence K. Karlton to 63 months in federal prison. The defendant pleaded guilty March 9, 2004 in federal court, to one count charging him with the possession of images depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

This case was the product of an joint investigation by the Anderson Police Department, the Shasta County District Attorney's Office, the Northern California Computer Crimes Task Force, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Laurel D. White, who prosecuted the case, the indictment alleged that on or about June 12, 2003, the defendant possessed a computer hard drive, and at least two computer disks which contained visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct which images had been transported in interstate commerce. In a second count, the Indictment also sought the forfeiture of the computer used by Stiner to obtain and maintain his pornography collection.

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